## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

[105] Aspects of the invention provide a system and method for communicating in a hybrid wired/wireless local area network. A method for communicating in a hybrid wired/wireless local area network may include sending a first messaging protocol message between a first switch and a first access point. In response to the first messaging protocol message, receiving at least a second messaging protocol message from the first access point and/or the first switch. One or more of the first and second messaging protocol messages and/or a third messaging protocol message may be used to control one or more of the first switch, a second switch, a first access point, a second access point, and one or more access devices.